

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

(Caption of Case)

Application of Grasshopper Group, LLC
For a Certificate of Public Convenience and
Necessity to Provide Resold
Interexchange Telecommunications
Services in the State of South Carolina

BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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In the Matter of the Application of)	
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GRASSHOPPER GROUP, LLC)	
)	Docket No. _____
For a Certificate of Public Convenience and)	
Necessity to Provide Resold)	
Interexchange Telecommunications)	
Services in the State of South Carolina and)	
For Alternative Regulation of its)	
Interexchange Offerings)	

MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE TREATMENT

Grasshopper Group, LLC (“Grasshopper” or “Applicant”), by and through its undersigned counsel, and pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 39-8-10, *et seq.*, and S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-804(S)(2), hereby moves the Public Service Commission of the State of South Carolina (“Commission”) to grant Protective Treatment and protect from public disclosure the confidential and proprietary financial statements filed as Confidential Exhibit C to Grasshopper’s Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Resold Interexchange Telecommunications Services. In support of this Motion, Applicant states the following:

1. Grasshopper is an applicant for a certificate to provide resold interexchange telecommunications services in the State of South Carolina.
2. Applicant is a privately-held company, is not required to file financial information with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, and does not otherwise disclose its financial information to the public.

3. Applicant uses its best efforts to keep and maintain the confidentiality of the information in Confidential Exhibit C. To the best of Applicant's knowledge, this information has not been disclosed or released to the public.

4. Disclosure of the information in Confidential Exhibit C to competitors, or potential competitors, could put Grasshopper at a competitive disadvantage relative to other companies in the competitive telecommunications industry and, therefore, would be detrimental to Grasshopper.

5. Due to the sensitive nature of the information in Confidential Exhibit C, it is appropriate for the Commission to limit access to it. The information should be used by the Commission and the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) solely to assist in its review of the merits of Grasshopper's application. There is no legitimate purpose or public interest to be served in disclosing or otherwise releasing the Confidential Exhibit to the public.

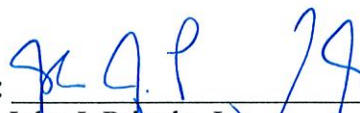
6. Applicant clarifies that its request for protection applies only to the financial information contained in Exhibit C to the Application. Applicant is not seeking protection of any type by means of this Motion for those reports Applicant will be required to file with the ORS should the relief sought in the Application be granted: the Annual Report Form, Gross Receipts Report, or the Universal Service Fund Worksheet.

6. For the foregoing reasons, there are compelling reasons for affording the identified information confidential and proprietary treatment.

WHEREFORE, Grasshopper Group, LLC respectfully requests that the information contained in Exhibit C to its Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity be ruled exempt from public disclosure and provided confidential treatment, and that the Commission grant such other relief as is just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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